

1. (AMENDED) A system for distributing and printing packets of information to individual receiver/prINTER terminals at cooperating retail locations [individuals at selected retail locations upon request by said individuals], said system including:

means for creating said packets of information in a digital format;

a wireless network for transmitting said packets of information to said retail locations;

and

a network of dedicated, standardized high-speed printer appliances at said retail locations, each of said appliances being adapted to:

receive said transmitted packets of information from said wireless network;

select and accept those packets of information intended for each of said

receiver/prINTER terminals from all those received;

process and store [selected] said accepted packets of information [from all those received];

convert said [selected] accepted packets of information into a printable format [for distribution to said individuals] at each individual receiver/prINTER terminal;

receive and process a request to print said accepted packets of information [by said individuals] at individual receiver/prINTER terminals;

automatically print said [selected] accepted packets in response to said request;

and

prevent misuse and unauthorized copying of said packets of information.

Please amend claim 5 as follows:

5. (AMENDED) A system for distributing packets of information to individual receiver/printer terminals at cooperating retail locations [individuals at selected retail locations upon request by said individuals], said system including:

means for creating said packets of information in digital format;

means for identifying intended recipients of said packets of information;

means for establishing a sequence of distribution of said packets of information;

a wireless network for transmitting said packets of information to said retail locations;

and

a network of dedicated, standardized high-speed printer appliances at said retail locations, each of said appliances being adapted to:

{ 2 receive said transmitted packets of information from said wireless network;

select and accept those packets of information intended for each of said receiver/printer terminals from all those received;

process and store [selected] said accepted packets of information [from all those received];

convert said [selected] accepted packets of information into a printable format [for distribution to said individuals] at each individual receiver/printer terminal;

receive and process a request to print accepted packets of information [by said individuals] at individual receiver/printer terminals;

automatically print said [selected] accepted packets in response to said request;

and

prevent misuse and unauthorized copying of said packets of information.

Please rewrite claim 21 as follows:

21. (AMENDED) A method for distributing packets of information to individual receiver/prINTER terminals at cooperating retail locations [individuals at selected retail locations upon request by said individuals], said method including the steps of:

creating said packets of information in a digital format;

transmitting said packets of information to a network of dedicated, standardized high-speed printer appliances at said retail locations over a wireless network;

receiving said transmitted packets of information from said wireless network at accepted [selected] appliances;

processing and storing selected packets of information from all those received;

converting said [selected] accepted packets of information into a printable format [for distribution to said individuals] at each individual receiver/prINTER terminal;

receiving and processing a request to print said accepted packets of information [by said individuals] at individual receiver/prINTER terminals;

automatically printing said [selected] accepted packets in response to said request; and

preventing misuse and unauthorized copying of said packets of information.

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed October 22, 2003 and the references cited therein have been carefully considered. Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 5 and 21, and the application still contains claims 1-25. Inasmuch as no new claims were added, no new fee is required for additional claims. However, since this response is being filed with a request for a three month extension, the fee for such extension is enclosed.